

REMARKS

Claims 32-44 are currently pending in this application. Applicants have submitted a substitute Figure 12 which underlines both those amino acid sequences present in the Complementarity Determining Regions (CDRs) of the heavy chain variable region and the light chain variable region. These underlined amino acids are those encoded by the CDR nucleic acid sequences which were originally underlined. As such, the content of the CDRs in Figure 12 has not been altered. Applicants have also consolidated the SEQ ID NOS of Figure 12 down to four SEQ ID NOS as shown in the table below.

New SEQ ID NO.	Previous SEQ ID NOS.	Identity of the Sequence
86	86, 88, 90, 92, 94	nucleic acid sequence of 96-110 heavy chain variable region
87	87, 89, 91, 93, 95	amino acid sequence of 96-110 heavy chain variable region
88	96, 98, 100, 102, 104	nucleic acid sequence of 96-110 light chain variable region
89	97, 99, 101, 103, 105	amino acid sequence of 96-110 light chain variable region

Support for this alteration in the sequence listing is found in the instant specification at page 58, lines 13-14; page 59, lines 8-9; and Figure 12 as originally filed. Pending claims 32-44 are based on claims 14-15 and 24-25 as originally filed. Applicants assert that pending claims 32-44 do not constitute issues of new matter.

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APPENDIX TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OF JUNE 29, 2001

Amendments to the Specification

At page 2, replace the paragraph beginning at line 2 with the following new paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application Serial No. 60/049,871, filed June 16, 1997, which application is specifically incorporated herein by reference. The following applications, listed by serial number and filing date, contain material pertaining to this application: 08/458,418 filed on June 2, 1995; 08/472,716 filed on June 6, 1995; and 08/471,285 filed on June 6, 1995.

At page 8, replace the paragraph beginning on line 19 with the following new paragraph:

Figure 12 (SEQ ID NOS 86-[105]89, respectively) provides the final consensus DNA sequence of the heavy and light chain variable regions.

At page 71, at the end of the specification, before the claims, delete the previously filed Sequence Listing and insert the printed Sequence Listing submitted herewith.

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